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S.P. PASSENGERS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

Freestone Votes \$1,000,000 Road Bond Issue

Only A Few Bruised When Engine And Nine Cars Leave The Track

About 4:30 Sunday afternoon north bound passenger train No. 15, on the H. & T. C. went into the ditch about one mile south of Groesbeck, the engine turning over and three coaches, besides several baggage and mail cars leaving the track and some of them turning over. One of the coaches plowed into a field. None of the Pullmans left the track.

The train was in charge of Conductor Tom Singer, with Will Cook as assistant, while Charlie McCarty, a veteran engineer of the Sunset Lines was at the throttle, with E. L. Kelley as fireman.

Although several of the cars turned over, no one was seriously hurt in any of them, the mail men crawling out at the cars had stopped rolling.

There were no fatal injuries in the wreck due to the fact that all of the cars were steel, and therefore a protection to the occupants.

P. H. Hays, Jr., H. & T. C. agent here, and Dr. Ray Leamon were in one of the coaches sitting in the engine car, but neither was hurt.

The wreck was probably caused by a loose wheel on the engine, which caused the engine to jump the track and plow into the field, however, this is only a conjecture.

All the coaches in Groesbeck were used to take care to give aid, and no one was seriously injured, but several passengers were taken into a hospital.

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"Feast of Christmas" To Be Celebrated In New St Mary's Church

The feast of Christmas will be celebrated with great solemnity in St. Mary's church. The celebration will be the occasion for which St. Mary's new church will be used for the first time. The Rector, Father Kelly, extends to the good citizens of Mexia, whose wonderful co-operation has enabled him to erect this beautiful little chapel in their midst, a cordial invitation to this first celebration. The services will begin promptly at the stroke of twelve, midnight of Christmas Eve. There will be High Mass, celebrated by the Very Reverend P. P. Rorrestal of St. Edward's College, Austin, Texas and one time member of the faculty at Notre Dame University.

The sermon will be delivered by the Pastor, Father J. H. Kelly. He will have for his text "Behold I Bring You Tidings of Great Joy."—St. Luke. The musical program will be as follows:

Holy Night—Soprano Solo.—Mrs. John Lowery.
Rosewig's Mass in F.
Soprano, Mrs. Thomas Flynn and Mrs. John Lowery.
Altos, Mrs. R. B. Vannaman and Mr. Thomas Costello.
Tenors, Mr. R. A. David and J. H. Kelly.
Bass, Zeke Magee.

Offertory: Adagio Fidelis. (Come all ye faithful.) Choir.

Christmas Tree To Be Given at Methodist Church

A Christmas tree and a Christmas program will attract a church full of people of all ages to the First Methodist church when given by the Primary Department of the Sunday school. Mrs. George Peyton stated today that Santa Claus would be at the church tonight and urged every one to attend. It will be one of those old fashioned affairs, the kind that spreads Christmas cheer and the children are waiting eagerly for 7:00 o'clock to come when the program begins.

Earl Cullins, formerly of Mexia, is now with the Kansas City Star, according to Christmas cards that have been received here. J. L. Jones, also formerly with the News is also on the Kansas City Star. Both are in the mechanical department. Mr. Jones has relatives who reside at Thornton.

George T. Burke of Corsicana was a visitor in Mexia Sunday and Monday.

I am writing for u, dere Santa Yure Little Friend, "DUTCH" COX.

Mexia, Tex., Dec. 23, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little boy all this year. I have been faithful in looking after the Mexia school teacher and music teachers and all I want is for you to bring me two or three more nice little teachers, two blondes and a brunette.

Yours faithfully,
Little Marcus (Doc) Corley.

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 17.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a train for Xmas that runs around a circle on a track and I want a ring and some candy.

One of your little boys
RODNEY HIDEWELL.

Dear Old Santa Claus:

I have had all this year that I want, don't bring me anything this year. I forgot Santa I do want a whistle and that's all.

Your boy,
HENRY FELZ.

Dec. 22, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy and my name is Tom Nolan. I have been good all year and I want you to bring me some apples and candy and a toy horse with a real saddle. Also don't forget to bring me a big cowboy hat and a pipe to match. Now Santa I do hope this is not asking too much for I know you have lots of poor little boys to bring things to.

Now Santa I know you will bring me this for the only bad thing I do is write rain insurance.

Your little boy,
TOM NOLAN

P. S. Do not forget to bring my little playmate Pat Patterson a big bunch of bananas.

Chicken Stealing Reduced To Old Fashioned Art

A new method in the manner of chicken stealing has been sprung on the citizens of the city. A certain lady who has been missing members of her flock of fine blooded fowls on several occasions recently called in the city officers to investigate the matter.

Lifting a very innocent looking tow sack in the back yard one of the officers discovered a common wooden packing box. That in itself pointed to nothing. But a rope, in diameter about one-fourth of an inch, tied to a stick that could easily serve as a trigger to a bird trap, did point somewhere. The rope led straight to the dwelling of another family in the rear of the lady's home and entered that dwelling through a hole cut between the screen and door facing. That was conclusive. The officers raised the box and a fine fat hen took occasion at once to vacate the prison.

Next he called on the family under suspicion. The lady of the house was not at home.

"I been catching birds," a very frightened little girl told the officers. But she soon came clean and confessed that a little feed scattered under the box made an excellent lure for the unsuspecting feathered tribe and once they were under the trap a pull on the string did the rest. Can you beat it?

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C. OF C. WISHES MEXIA MERRY CHRISTMAS

On being asked for a Christmas story from the Chamber of Commerce the secretary of that organization stated that the shortness of the time given precluded his giving any comprehensive outline of the work of that organization during the year just passed. He stated that it was the intention of the organization to promote a good fellowship Banquet of all the citizens of Mexia during the month of January and that at that time he would have a detailed report of all the activities of the organization for the year just closed.

He took advantage of the opportunity to extend to the people of Mexia the cordial good wishes of the official which is composed of the following:

John H. Sweet, President.
L. S. Patterson, vice president.
A. H. Eubanks, 2nd vice president.

Directors:
J. K. Hughes.
J. W. McLendon.
Blake Smith.
J. W. Prickett.
R. F. Babb.
Cox Brodnax.
John G. Phillips.
Allen L. Hatch.
Benton Jones.
Dr. R. B. Jackson.
Gene Sinclair.
Phil Kearney.
Roy H. Stokes.
J. W. Stubenrauch.
B. W. Simmons.
F. P. Hutchinson.
Advisory Board:
Jack Womack.
Ernest Watson.
Ben F. Stollenwerk, secretary.

Miss Cora Oliphant, Asst. Secretary. Speaking further the secretary stated that the Chamber of Commerce has been successful in some of its undertakings, and to the present time, successful in others. That those efforts that have so far not been crowned with success have not been abandoned, particularly those this apply to the building of a Cotton Mill during 1924. "There are lots of things that are hard to accomplish," he said, "and those are the things that it usually takes a Chamber of Commerce to do."

In spite of criticism, discouragement and failures of some of the undertakings, we face the world with a smile, being confident that we have done our best and as long as the present officials of this organization are at its helm, this will continue to be our policy. We have lots of friends to reward, but no enemies to punish. We are for you as long as you are right and against no one. We are not discouraged by these things we have failed to accomplish, but figuratively speaking, are hitching up our belts for a more determined campaign during 1924. Let us all remember the story of Lot's wife who looked back and was turned to a pillar of salt, and let us make 1924 the best year in the history of Mexia. We wish for every body a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

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Election Carries By More Than The Two Third Vote Necessary For Passage

Much elation prevails here, as well as in Freestone county, following the victory at the polls Saturday when citizens of that county advanced to the polls and voted in favor of \$1,000,000 for road bonds.

Saturday was so rainy and bad that the vote was light, especially in the rural districts, while a fairly good vote turned out at Teague, Fairfield and Kirven. It was said that the roads were so bad that some of those who would have voted against the bonds could not get to the polls to vote.

Oil men here assert that the decision of the people of the neighboring county to improve their roads means that a wildcatting campaign will be under way as soon as the new roads and bridges can be constructed. It is believed by many that Freestone county, in the next few years will witness the discovery of the largest oil fields in the Southwest, and the poll of the people Saturday is considered a great victory for the development of that section.

Concerning the bond election, the Wortham Journal last week in urging a favorable vote said:

This county has a written pledge from the Highway Commission that in spite of the fact that Freestone is one of the "pauper" counties that already receives thousands of more from the State than it pays in taxes, State and Federal aid will be given us in the maximum amount allowed the wealthiest county in Texas, to wit: the sum of \$800,000. For every dollar this county will spend on high grade, hard surfaced roads, the Highway Commission will give two dollars.

Freestone County has three state highways, comprising about 90 miles. A citizens committee has been appointed from among residents of the

county, who will submit to the county judge and all four commissioners a plan by which the fund for roads will be distributed. This, they have agreed to adopt.

The committee is working out plans for a specific number of men on each road to spend their time under a superintendent, to see that the roads are properly maintained. This will release all county and road districts funds, as well as the county's pro rata of auto license fees from the ninety miles of highway for road improvement elsewhere.

The following dirt roads will likely be improved as a result of the election: -Wortham-Kirven to Fairfield, 22 miles; Kirven to Simsboro, 6 miles; Winkler to Streetman, 10 miles; Dew to Teague, 15 miles; Luna to Teague 10 miles; Donie-Freestone to Teague, 12 miles; Young to Fairfield, 10 miles.

A bridge will also be built across the Trinity river, connecting Freestone with Anderson county and assures the adoption of a route from Palestine to Teague, to Mexia, to Waco for the highway from Florida to the Pacific Coast, by which southern travel will largely move westward, it is claimed, and which will bring tens of thousands of tourists additionally each year through the section from all parts of the United States.

The victory for the bonds, too, will likely mean the opening up of thousands of acres of land in the eastern part of the county.

According to information Sunday, there were about 2,000 votes cast, approximately 1400 of which were for the bonds, with only two small boxes to hear from, with possibly a total of 40 votes, which could not effect the results, even should the vote be entirely against the bond issue.

Below are a list of the fines paid to the city of Mexia since July 15, 1923.

For affray, 15 fines, \$217.50.
Abusive language, one fine, \$15.70.
Assault, four fines, \$46.80.
Disturbance of the peace, three fines, \$52.10.
Vagrancy, 19 fines, \$384.30.
Drunks, 28 fines, \$435.60.
Violations of traffic rules, 65 fines \$698.50.
Speeding and reckless driving, 28 fines, \$408.60.
Two other fines, \$31.40.
Total, \$2,290.50.
Records show 60 arrested who were released without fines.

One Against Eleven Wins

DALLAS, Texas, December 24.—Juries have been hung since the time of Blackstone but one of the most unusual cases of this nature occurred in Dallas.

The jury was out in a case where the defendant was accused of "Crap-shooting" but had pleaded not guilty. After being out three hours they reported to the judge that they were unable to agree on a verdict because one man was holding out for conviction. The judge discharge them all.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dominy of Tehuacana are spending Christmas with Mrs. Dominy's parents in Crockett, Texas.

Euel Hall left Saturday to spend Christmas in Hillsboro.

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The Ministry Of Kindness Of Salvation Army Makes Many Happy Here Past Week

"Jesus saith unto him I will come and heal him." Matthew 8:7. Jesus Christ, the Healer and Comforter, is our example; as Christ hath loved us we ought to love one another. To us as members of the Holy Church, Jesus has committed this ministry of kindness. To His priests the Lord says "Give ye them to eat." To every member of the Church is the command given, "Be kindly affectionate one to another." Pure religion is defined as leading us to comfort the sick and suffering, the fatherless and widows, and to keep ourselves unspotted from the world.

This last week ending Friday the 21st has been the heaviest week on the Salvation Army since I came to Mexia, five and one half months ago. We have had nine very sick families on our hands and in each case they were in pitiful conditions, and I was glad that Mexia had made it possible to supply all the needs required. After the physical needs were supplied I was able to speak to them regarding spiritual help and was overjoyed to learn that sev-

enty five per cent are Christian families and have their own little family altar. But for the remainder, Christ is unknown, and the members never attend religious services of any character. One day to them is just the same as another and where only the physical, never the spiritual, and seldom the mental qualities of human kind are given attention.

During the week ending Friday night, the Salvation Army corps here made the following report:

Nine families which were all destitute supplied with groceries at a cost of \$46.00.

Four families supplied with wood at a cost of \$3.50.

Three families supplied with drugs costing \$8.00.

Five men given meals, costing \$2.50.

Three beds given, cost 75c, transportation 72c.

Forty-eight old garments given away.

Bread and cake, etc., given to six families.

The above was carefully investigated and had to be done.

entitled to the pay fixed by the act of June 15, 1917. The adjutant general, U. S. A., reported January 30, 1923, that claimant's status was that of an enlisted man on detached service in training for a commission . . . and he is accordingly entitled to the difference between \$33 and \$100 a month for such period."

This ruling affects hundreds of men who attended the officers' training camps during 1918. A man coming under this ruling may make application to the Chief of Finance, War Department, Washington, D. C., for this difference in pay. In his application he should show when he was ordered into service, where and when he attended an officers' training camp and what his status and pay were while in attendance.

And it is NOT necessary to engage an attorney to handle these claims." According to Superintendent C. G. Puckett of the Mexia Public Schools, he has already received papers to be filled out in securing his back pay, he having been commissioned as a Captain out of the third officers' training school. Several hundred dollars will be secured by veterans in Mexia who are entitled the difference in pay, it is asserted here.

Electric light and power development are two of the greatest forces for the extension of modern civilization.

He is a wise man who either speaks the truth or says nothing.

F. N. Fulkner of Waco was in Mexia Thursday.

George W. Frink, of Waco was in the city on business Thursday.

Roscoe Cook and Harvey Bennett were Dallas visitors Friday.

J. L. Brooks of Kosse was a visitor to Mexia Thursday.

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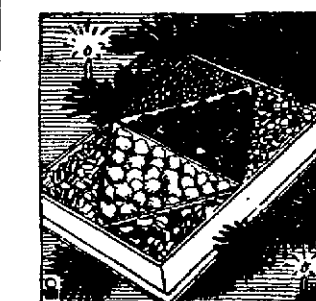
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O. T. C. Students Entitled To Back Pay For Time Spent In Officers Training Schools

According to Legationaires of this city, the government is now paying off to veterans who were commissioned out of the officers training schools in 1918. The American Legion here will be glad to assist any one needing help in getting the difference in pay due them, which in most instances amounts to \$87 per month for every month in training school.

Interest in the matter was aroused recently when the following article appeared in the American Legion Weekly which explains the matter in full and which was brought to the attention of Legion members here by Z. Rochelle of this city:

Immediately following the announcement of the Comptroller General McCarr's ruling that enlisted men who attended officers' training camps during 1918 were entitled to the difference between their army rate of pay and \$100 per month, the Weekly received letters from Legationaires containing in general the following: "I have just received from one . . . giving the name of an attorney of Washington, D. C., a request that I appoint him to proceed to collect for me pay and allowances due the time spent in officer's training camp in 1918. When was the legislation granting this extra pay passed? Is it necessary to proceed through an attorney in order to collect? Is it advisable to appoint someone to handle the case?"

It is not necessary to proceed through an attorney or to appoint someone to handle applications for this additional pay. This is a matter that the individual can handle as well and probably more expeditiously himself.

A paragraph in the army appropriation act of June 15, 1917, set aside \$226,882,500 "for pay of enlisted men of all grades, including recruits, and pay at \$100 a month for enlisted men in training for officers of the Reserve Corps."

The Comptroller ruled as follows: "It is evident that the purpose of the legislation authorizing pay 'not exceeding \$100 a month' for civilians in the act of May 12, 1917, and 'pay at \$100 a month' for enlisted men in the act of June 15, 1917, was to provide pay for the training period and provide trained officers for the army, and not for the purpose of building up the Officers' Reserve Corps."

"It is apparent that the designation of enlisted men of the line for training under the revised regulation of January 5, 1918, was for the purpose of training them as 'officers of the army' and that they were accordingly



WHEN YOU THINK OF SANTA CLAUS

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Mexia Corsicana

WHAT ABOUT THEM?

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MANY STUDENTS FROM ELSEWHERE ATTEND WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

Westminster College was established about the year 1895 at Westminster in Colby county. The sole building was a frame structure in which the public school was housed and the student body consisted of a scant handful of young men and women. But the tall, awkward man who had come all the way from Virginia to establish it had faith in the undertaking. In 1902 the college was moved to Tehuacana taking charge of the buildings left vacant by old Trinity.

Shortly afterwards the founder, Dr. J. L. Lavis died, a victim to typhoid, and was buried in the Tehuacana cemetery close to the institution of which he is the father. At his death the college had grown considerably. Instead of the mere handful of students there were then about seventy-five. A small number, indeed, it seems, but not so small when compared with the number of the first year.

The college continued to grow. A new dormitory was built with lumber donated by a large Louisiana mill and called Louisiana Hall in honor of the donors. That dormitory is now occupied by the young ladies. The old dormitory, or Moody Hall, so named in honor of W. M. Moody of Tehuacana who furnished the money for its purchase, is occupied by the boys and sadly needs to be torn down and another one built in its place.

The student body now numbers around 150 and continues to grow in size every year. The college is affiliated with the State University. It has a library numbering 6000 volumes, a library that is unsurpassed by that of any college of its class in the state. It has a new athletic field equipped with grandstand and bath to take care of the athletes begun as a permanent feature of college activities through the efforts of Dr. J. E. Butler, for two years business manager of the school.

Westminster College has stood for twenty years at the very edge of Mexia. For that twenty years it has been holding out an opportunity that the citizens of Mexia have been blind to overlooking. The college can mean more to this city than any other single institution. A community grows not by accident, nor by the patronage of the great from without, but by the accumulation of the values that lie within its borders.

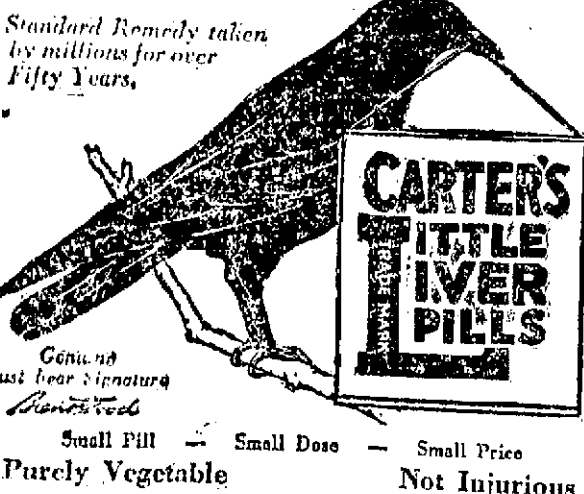
The faculty of the college is as follows: W. A. Lansford, A. B., Baylor, Science. James G. Willis, A. B., George Peabody College, Mathematics. Amanda Miller, A. B., M. A., Florida State Teachers College, History. Oliver Moore, A. B., Graduate Kings School of Expression, Expression. Wayland Moody, A. B., State University, Modern Languages. Lillian Pierce, Ward Belmont, Piano. Lydia Moody Scott, Voice. Robert Dornay, Librarian and assistant in Mathematics. Mrs. Robert Dornay, Dean of Women. B. A. Butler, Assistant in English. Henry Hoover, Preceptor of Boys Dormitory. Alvin Johnson, Bookkeeping and Stenography. Tom Osborne, Director of Band. Among the boarding students are the following: Bessie Kate Berry, Marietta, Texas. Mable Butler, Rector, Arkansas. Nanette Crouch, Wortham, Texas. John Garrison, Sulphur Springs. Lucy Garrison, Sulphur Springs. Eugene Hawkins, Mexia, Texas. Irene Hawkins, Mexia, Texas. Hollie Irvin, Cale, Ark. Morris Low, Lone Grove, Texas. Jim Martin, Normangee, Texas. Jesse Merrill, Irene, Texas. Estel Patton, Irene, Texas. Horace Miller, Charleston, Texas. Charles B. Mills, Teague, Texas. Myrtle Nunn, Lake Creek, Texas. M. D. Park, Stringtown, Okla. Audrey Posey, Wortham, Texas. Leona Dornay, Crockett, Texas. Elizabeth Powell, Idabel, Okla. Velta Scott, Greenville, Texas. Jewel Johnson, Hugo, Okla. William Scott, Garland, Texas. Lala Phipps, Wortham, Texas. Mezzelle Phipps, Wortham, Texas. Alma Johnson, Cale, Ark. Nettie Thornton, Mexia, Texas. Elizabeth Derry, Marietta, Texas. Cotys Mouser, Louisiana. Arnet Roberts, Wortham, Texas. About eighteen students are transported to the college from Coahilge each day on the bus. The remainder are those living in and around Tehuacana.

Mrs. Sallie Joe Simmons of Wortham was a visitor to Mexia Thursday.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

Please don't forget to come to see us. We have cleaned our chimney and fire place out real, real good so's you wouldn't have to get your pretty suit all dirty. Our stockings will be hanging on each side of the fire place. Please mam bring us these things if you have any left. We want lots of fireworks and a gun apiece that will make a big noise'n we want a heap'o fire crackers. And Santa, please, we wish we had a doll and doll buggy too. We like candy too Mister Santa Claus—and nuts are good too, and we are very, very, very good too. Your two little "Cheeses," P. S.—We like perfume too, specially Golly-Gog and Black Narcissus.

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 21, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll that can say "mammm" and a little wash tub and a wash board and a little iron. Bring my little brother a box to tools and a little wagon.

Your little friend,
Dorothy Greene.

Tehuacana, Texas, Dec. 18, 1923

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl nine years old. I

want you to bring a large sleepy doll with black curly hair, a doll bed which is birdseye and some fruits, nuts and candy. I am in the fourth grade and studying six books, and also taking music.

Don't forget my two big sisters. Also my mother and father and grandma.

With much love. Merry Christmas. Your little girl, Ida Lee Milburn.

P. S.—Oh, yes, please don't forget my teacher.

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 17, 1923

Dear Old Santa Claus:

I am a good little boy 4 years old. I want you to bring me a great big doll, a new wagon, and some fireworks and lots of nice fruit.

Please remember my mother and Daddy also grandma and grandpa. Your little friend, Benjie Stephens, 404 East Carthage street.

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 20, 1923

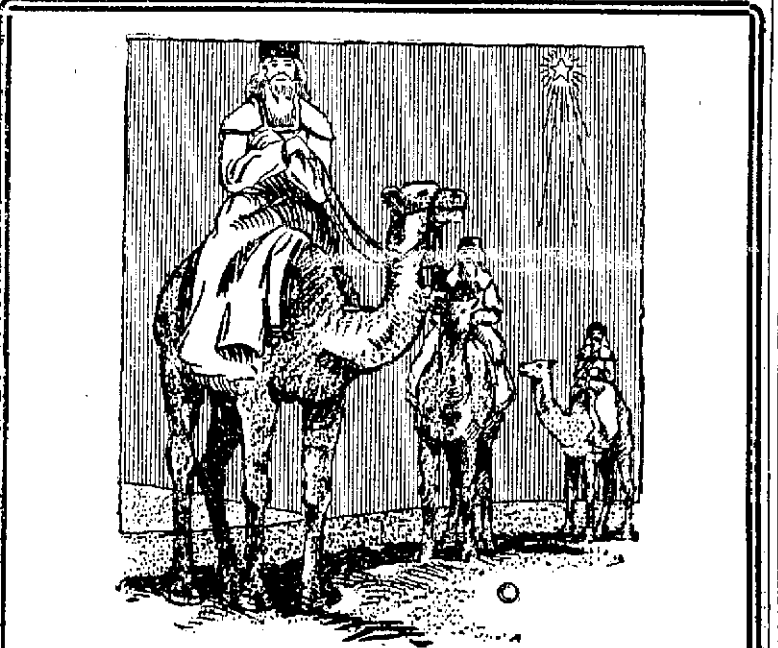
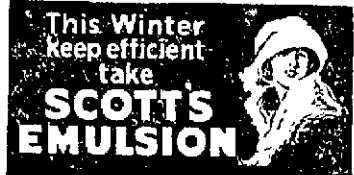
Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a sleepy doll and a pair of stockings and a little chair. Don't forget the poor little children and don't forget a book satchel. I am a little girl eight years old. My name is Bess Walters.

Lots of love to Santa Claus From, Bess Walters.

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CHRISTMAS DAY

On the first Christmas morning the Three Wise Men from the East, led by the Star of Bethlehem, found the infant Messiah in a manger, wrapped in swaddling clothes. And they fell down and worshipped Him, and they offered unto Him precious gifts.

On this latest Christmas morning the Wise Men and Women of the present generation, and even the little children, led by the Star of Faith and Hope and Love, are seeking after the Saviour of the world. They are worshipping Him and serving Him by doing those things which He bade Christians ever to do and perform. They are offering unto Him their souls and bodies, and in this sacrifice the Wise ever find the truest happiness.

This is the real Christmas spirit—the giving of ourselves to His service. By so doing, we too become saviours and the world becomes a better and happier place in which to live.

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We, the members of this Company, have enjoyed the pleasant association with you during the year that is now coming to a close, and in the New Year we trust that the strong ties of Friendship will bind us even closer together.

We are thankful for your patronage in the past, and we trust that you have found satisfaction in our mutual business relations. There will always be a warm welcome for you here and we want you to visit us often.

With kindest thoughts and best wishes, we are,
Yours most cordially,

MEXIA MOTOR CAR CO., Inc.
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Fred J. Doring
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THIS HAS BEEN A STUDEBAKER YEAR.

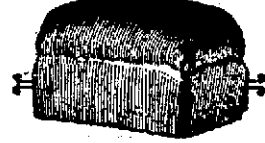
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Greetings Of The Season

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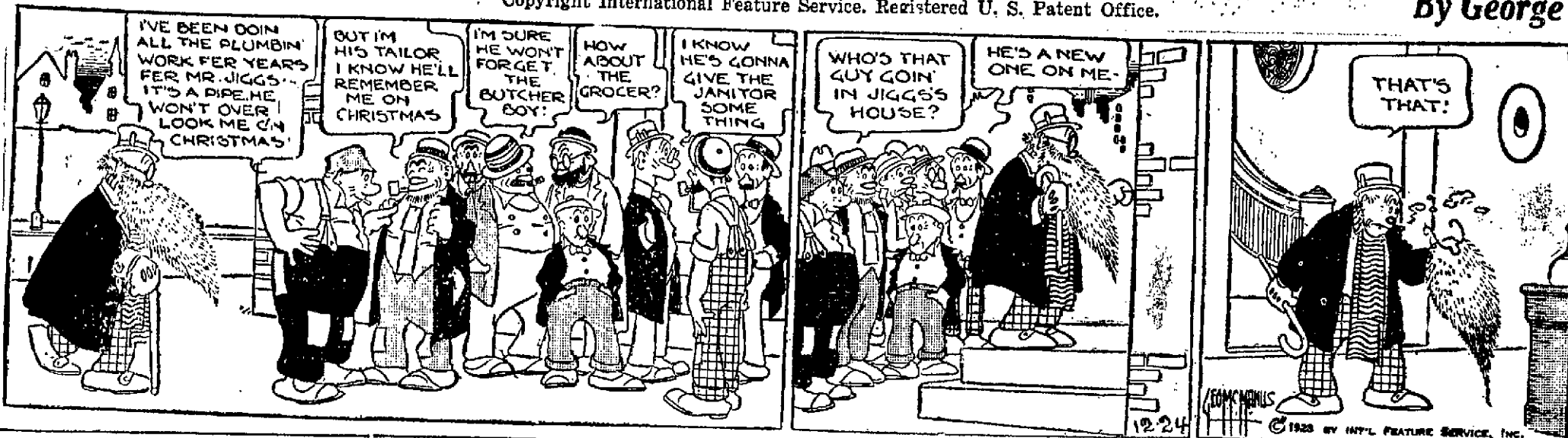
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The Day's Opportunities As Told In The Classified Ads

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North bound—
545 From cut-off 1:47 p. m.
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37 Dallas Ft. Worth 5:14 a. m.
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19 Dallas Ft. Worth 3:55 a. m.

South bound—
348 To cut-off 7:00 a. m.
16 Houston San Antonio 11:45 a. m.
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38 Austin San Antonio 12:21 a. m.
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WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, now and second hand furniture, Phone 26, May 10th.

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FOR SALE—1910 acres of land located in Leon County about four miles south of Mexia on highway and International and Great Northern railroad. All fenced, most hog proof. About 900 acres in cultivation. Remainder mostly timbered. Six or seven tenant houses. Plenty water. Convenient to schools. Most of land very fine. There is long time loan at low rate interest. If interested write or phone. A. J. Stedger, Tyler, Texas. 14111

FOR SALE—C

FOR SALE—Residence lots between Sumpter Street School and High School. W. D. Pittman, Room 205 Pittman Building. 14112

FOR SALE—Residence lots on West Hopkins Street. Small payment, easy terms. W. D. Pittman, room 205 Pittman Building. 14112

FOR SALE—Small Shetland ponies. Very gentle. Children's pets. Good Christmas gifts. Owners of Wm. Atkinson, extreme southern end of River St. 14113

FOR SALE—Four room shack with or without furniture, lights and water. Very reasonable. J. B. Blythe, Phone 155 Service Co. Bldg. 2013

BEAUTIFUL WHITE Persian cat for sale. Two 1/2 and 1/4 from registered stock. Mrs. J. B. Blythe, Phone 427-J. 2014

COATS, DRESSES and hats cheap at Warburton's. Every thing worn by the smartest, big cleaning and pressing and fur goods alterations. 214 N. W. McKinney. 14114

FOR SALE—A small house on North Canton Street. Lot 20x125, nicely finished. The owner will get them when three large lots are sold. The house is in the hands of the bank. The owner is a man of the name of J. B. Blythe. The house is in the hands of the bank. The owner is a man of the name of J. B. Blythe. 2115

NOTICE—Wanted to buy a good, steady garden. Write to me. 14115

NOTICE—Any person applying for a job in the city of Mexia, Texas, who is not a citizen of the United States, or who is not a resident of the city of Mexia, Texas, shall be considered as an alien, and shall be liable to the same penalties as are provided by law for aliens. 14116

FOR SALE—One 1/2 A. A. General, for Morse Electric Co. News 14117

FOR SALE OR LEASE—By the 1/2 acre, my home on Third Street. Eight rooms and bath with a large porch. Mrs. Mae Schuler. 14118

FOR SALE—Good milk cow. See W. J. Wright at Buckner & Wright Lumber Co. 14119

FOR SALE—Used baby buggy, practically new. Call at English Grocery on North Kaufman St. 14120

FOR SALE—Seven room residence, garage, servant's room, bath, also six room apartment house on 125 feet facing East Palestine St. 50 feet from pavement. Priced to sell. Geo. Tidwell at Tidwell's Grocery and Market. 2017

GEORGIA MINSTRELS COMING

Enduring success has been achieved by the Georgia Smart Set Minstrels, which comes to the Opera House Wednesday, Dec. 25. This company has weathered the storm of over thirty-three years on the road, having visited time upon time every city and state on this continent, and have spent numerous seasons in foreign countries, where their success has been as marked as in their native country. The company and production for this season is out of the ordinary.

There have been many colored minstrel shows which were unsatisfactory in their entertainment because the colored performers were self-conscious and did not act natural. The Georgia Smart Set Minstrels have always been fortunate in having a manager one who was familiar with the peculiarities of the negro and knew just how to get the performers to exhibit that peculiar humor so well known among the Southern darkies. Mr. L. B. Holtkamp, the present company manager, is a native of the South and has assembled a company of performers that are not posers, but real entertainers.

They will be at the Opera House Wednesday, Dec. 25. Special matinee at 3 p. m.

CARD OF THANKS

I desire to express my sincere appreciation to my many kind friends who came to my help during the recent death of my beloved husband, Gainer. Words do not and cannot express the gratitude I feel for their kind ministrations and the comfort and consolation they brought in to my great bereavement.

May the blessing of heaven abide with them all.
Sincerely,
Mrs. Gainer J. Lindsey.

We never realize how much nerve we possess until we have occasion to occupy a dentist's chair.

Any one wishing a calendar that owns a car and has not received a card we will be glad to give you one if you will call at our No. 1 Station and fill out one of the cards. Mexia Battery and Tire Co., Inc. 18-10

SHERIFF'S SALE

State of Texas, County of Limestone. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Dallas County, of the 14th day of Dec. 1923, by The District Clerk of said Dallas County, for the sum of \$1600.00 Dollars and costs of suit, under a Foreclosure and Deed of Trust Lien,

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in favor of in a certain cause in said court, No. 49016-7 and styled Fidelity Savings Trust Company, versus Mrs. Della Box, the surviving wife of S. A. Box, deceased, Clarence Box, Alvie Box, Mable Box, Homer Box, Ruby Box, Herman Box, Branton Box, and Mrs. Della Box, Guardian of the Estates of Clarence, Alvie, Mable, Homer, Ruby, Herman, and Branton Box, Minors.

The Plaintiff, Fidelity Savings Trust Company, recovered, in the District Court of Dallas County, 68th, Judicial District of Texas, a judgement against the said defendants, Della Box, for the sum of \$1800.00 principal, \$421.80 interest and \$222.48 attorney's fees, together with interest on \$222.48 principal and interest at the rate of 10% per annum and interest at the rate of 6% per annum on \$222.48 attorney's fees from said November 13th, 1923.

And placed in my hands for service, I, Whit Popejoy, Sheriff of Limestone County, Texas, did, on the 17th day of December, A. D. 1923, Levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Limestone County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Being 103 acres of land in the Chas. Roberts survey, described in three tracts as follows:

FIRST TRACT: 42 acres of land described as beginning at the Southeast corner of lot No. 1, in the Adams-O'Neal subdivision of said Chas. Roberts League, in the North line of the 90 acre tract known as the Limestone County, Land; Thence North 30 West with the East line of said Lot No. 1, 700 varas to corner from which a post oak 12" in dia. brs. North 22 1/2 East 10 varas; Thence North 60 East 338 varas to corner; Thence South 30 East 700 varas to the Northeast corner of said Limestone County 90 acre tract; Thence South 60 West along the North line of said 90 acre tract 358 varas to the place of beginning.

SECOND TRACT: 30 acres of land described as beginning at the Northeast corner of the R. O'Neal 200 acre homestead tract; Thence North 30 West with said O'Neal's line, 560 varas

to corner; Thence North 60 East 127 varas to corner; Thence North 20 West with the O'Neal line to the Southwest corner of the M. R. Box 18 acre tract; Thence North 60 East to the North-west corner of the 42 acre tract above described; Thence South 30 East 700 varas to the Southwest corner of the 42 acre tract above described; Thence South 60 West 294 varas to the place of beginning.

Said two tracts of land above described being the same land conveyed by Ella Box to S. A. Box on January 12, 1920, by Deed duly recorded in the deed records of Limestone County, Texas.

THIRD TRACT: 31 acres of land known as part of the R. O'Neal homestead, beginning at the most Southern Northwest corner of the 30 acre tract of land described as tract No. 2 above, Thence South 30 East 585 varas to corner on the North line of the tract of land conveyed by Mrs. Abia Box and others to Mrs. Alice Stem, a rock for corner; Thence South 60 West 298 varas to corner; same being the Southeast corner of a 21 acre tract designated by S. A. Box and wife as a part of their homestead; Thence North 31 west 585 varas to the Northeast corner of said 21 acre tract; Thence North 60 East 298 varas to the place of beginning, being part of the land conveyed by M. B. Box, and wife to S. A. Box by deed recorded in Vol. 75, page 1/8 deed records of Limestone County, Texas.

Said three tracts of land being the same land described in the deed of Trust from S. A. Box and wife, Della Box to Chas. L. Krebs, Trustee, recorded in Vol. 7, page 493-7, deed of trust records of Limestone County, Texas; and levied upon as the property of Della Box, and all above named parties; and that on the first Tuesday in Feb. 1924, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Limestone County, in the town of Groesbeck, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate

at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Della Box, et al.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Mexia Daily News, a newspaper published in Limestone County.

Witness my hand, this 17th day of Dec., 1923.

WHIT POPEJOY, Sheriff,
Limestone County Texas.
By N. P. Harris, Deputy.
Dec. 18-25 Jan. 2

NOTICE

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the City National Bank of Mexia, will be held at its banking house Tuesday, January 8, 1924, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. for the purpose of electing Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before it.
Mexia, Texas, December 8th, 1923.
W. G. FORREST, Cashier.
(10-17-24-31-7)

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Too Late to Classify

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We charge 25c for all gasoline and tire service calls inside of the city limits; 50c per mile thereafter. A charge of 25c to everyone for taking off and putting on chains. Mexia Battery & Tire Co., Inc., Nos. One and Three Stations. 18-10

FOR SALE—One complete radio receiving set. First class condition. Phone or see J. F. Lums at Humphrey Garage. 23J2

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Pay your poll tax.

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Any one wishing a calendar that owns a car and has not received a card we will be glad to give you one if you will call at our No. 1 Station and fill out one of the cards. Mexia Battery and Tire Co., Inc. 18-10

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Babb left Saturday to spend the holidays away. Mrs. Babb will visit in Rector Arkansas and Mr. Babb is going to Memphis Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. George Medders and two children of Dallas are visiting Mrs. Medders parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pearson of Tehuacan.

SAGE TEA TURNS GRAY HAIR DARK

That beautiful, even shade of dark glossy hair can only be had by brewing a mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Your hair is your charm. It makes or mars the face. When it fades, turns gray or streaked, just an application or two of Sage and Sulphur. Your hair is your charm. It unfolds.

Don't bother to prepare the mixture; you can get this famous old recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients at a small cost, all ready for use. It is called Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound. This can always be depended upon to bring back the natural color and lustre of your hair.

Everybody uses "Wyeth's" Sage and Sulphur Compound now because it darkens so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied. You simply dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through the hair, taking one small strand at a time, by morning the gray hair has disappeared, and after another application it becomes beautifully dark and appears glossy and lustrous.—Advt.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Cohen have returned to their home in Dallas after spending several days with their daughter, Mrs. Isidore Newman.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bolton left Saturday for Dallas where they will visit relatives.

IF BACK HURTS BEGIN ON SALTS

No man or woman can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Too much rich food creates acids which clog the kidney pores so that they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood. Then you get sick. Rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders often come from sluggish kidneys.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage, or attended by a sensation of scalding, begin to drink soft water in quantities; also get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any reliable pharmacy and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine.

This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity, also to help neutralize the acids in the system so they no longer cause irritation, thus often relieving bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink, which everyone can take now and then to help keep the kidneys clean and the blood pure, thereby often preventing serious kidney complications. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year.—Advt.

Wishing Every One a Merry Christmas

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Phone 413

GREETINGS of the season

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(The Old Reliable)

In The House of Hearts At Christmas Time

In the House of Hearts

Where friend meets friend,

Let us in communion spend

Some moments of this Xmas Day

Even though we be far away.

Let us live over things we used to do,

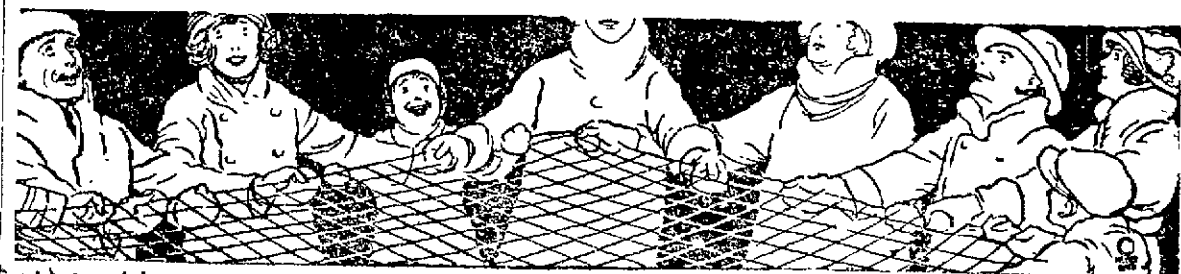
And just be happy, through and through,

In the house of hearts

At Christmas time

Where friend meets friend.

Wishing You a Merry Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year



Greetings

The Holiday season affords us an opportunity to extend to you our appreciation for your business during the year. It is our friends who have made it possible for us to maintain "Mexia's largest department store". Without your patronage and good will our efforts would be in vain.

Now, at the end of this good year, we extend to every one a wish for a merry Christmas and a year of happy days.

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We desire to express our sincere appreciation for your patronage and good will during the year that is now closing and extend to you our best wishes for a very happy Christmas and prosperity for the coming year.

City National Bank
Mexia, Texas



S. P. PASSENGERS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE

Freestone Votes \$1,000,000 Road Bond Issue

Only A Few Bruised
When Engine And Nine
Cars Leave The Track

About 4:30 Sunday afternoon north bound passenger train No. 15, on the H. & T. C. went into the ditch about one mile south of Groesbeck, the engine turning over and three coaches, besides several baggage and mail cars, leaving the track and some of them turning over. One of the coaches plowed out into a field. None of the Pullmans left the track.

The train was in charge of Conductor Tom Singer, with Will Cook as assistant, while Charlie McCarty, a veteran engineer of the Sunset Lines was at the throttle, with E. L. Kelley as fireman.

Although several of the cars turned over, no one was seriously hurt in any of them, the mail men crawling out after the cars had stopped rolling.

There were no fatal injuries in the wreck due to the fact that all of the cars were steel, and therefore a protection to the occupants.

E. P. Hutchinson, H. & T. C. agent here, and Dr. Roy Leamon were in one of the derailed cars, sitting in the same seat, but neither was hurt.

The wreck was caused by the excessive rains softening the roadbed and allowing the rails to spread, however, this is only a conjecture.

All physicians in Groesbeck were rushed to the scene to give aid, and many of the passengers were taken in to town in autos.

A stub train was sent down from Mexia and brought the passengers here, and a train was sent from Ennis to take them on north, leaving here about 9 p. m.

Other trains last night, both north and south bound, were derailed over the Cut Off, and went through practically on time.

It is said that the fireman, when the engine left the track, cut off the oil line and jumped, and this cutting off the fire no doubt prevented the burning of the wreckage.

Four passengers were injured. They are: Emma Lee Mills, Groesbeck, slight injury to wrist.

The Rev. Henry Holman, negro preacher of Groesbeck; arm broken.

A negro man, injured about head.

A negro child, possible internal injuries.

Charles McCarty, who has been in the employ of the road for more than forty years (and who was a school mate of Major Houxi) was thought to have been killed as he could not be found, but when searchers went to look for him he crawled out from the cab where he had been imprisoned for his injury, and with the thought of his passengers uppermost in his mind, asked if any one had been killed.

When assured that there were no deaths he grinned and said of himself, "I'm a scratch. I have been with the line forty years, and this is my first wreck."

It is not known whether any other Mexia people were on the train, besides Mr. Hutchinson and Dr. Leamon.

News of the wreck reached here shortly after the incident, spreading among the friends of scores of Mexia bound passengers known to have been in the wreck. The reports were magnified as they scattered through the city and hundreds gathered at the H. & T. C. station to learn particulars.

Ticket Agent Cook was kept busy for hours answering telephone calls and responding with all the information he could gain to the throngs that crowded up to the ticket office. Information was difficult to obtain, as telephone lines were kept busy to Groesbeck and many there were at the scene of the wreck.

The wreck was witnessed by many who were riding in autos along the X-All highway near the wreck.

At 6:30 a special relief train, including all the available doctors and nurses in the city, Chief of Police Thompson and several deputies, left here for the wreck, this incident further enhancing the concern of those waiting for their loved ones, but which also attested the idea of "safety first" adopted by the railroads in any and all emergencies of that kind.

At 7:50 nine coaches came through from Ennis on their way to pick up the passengers North bound.

About 8:45 the doctor's special returned, bringing all Mexia bound passengers here, the arrival of which was accepted with much rejoicing, as loved ones embraced each other in the good news brought that only slight bruises and scratches had resulted to anyone.

About 9:45 the train made up in Ennis returned with the passengers who reached their destinations only about five hours late.

The trains, both north and south bound, over the H. & T. C. derailed over the Mexia Cut Off during the night and wreckage will probably be cleared by night, so that main line travel may be resumed. Chief Thompson stated it was the worst wreck he had ever seen. The cars are criss-crossed and the rails are bent where the wreck occurred. One of the baggage cars raced down the embankment and almost out of the right of way without turning over.

Main line service was continued from Houston to Thornton following the accident, thus leaving Groesbeck as the only town along the line to suffer any inconvenience from the incident.

A little negro girl was among those reported as probably the most seriously hurt. Those who saw her stated she was bleeding and crying following the wreck.

"Feast of Christmas"
To Be Celebrated In
New St Mary's Church

The feast of Christmas will be celebrated with great solemnity in St. Mary's church. The celebration will be the occasion for which St. Mary's new church will be used for the first time. The Rector, Father Kelly, extends to the good citizens of Mexia, whose wonderful co-operation has enabled him to erect this beautiful little chapel in their midst, a cordial invitation to this first celebration. The services will begin promptly at the stroke of twelve, midnight of Christmas Eve. There will be High Mass, celebrated by the Very Reverend P. P. Restorall of St. Edward's College, Austin, Texas and one time member of the faculty at Notre Dame University. The sermon will be delivered by the Pastor, Father J. H. Kelly. He will have for his text "Behold I Bring You Tidings of Great Joy."—St. Luke. The musical program will be as follows:

Christmas Tree
To Be Given at
Methodist Church

A Christmas tree and a Christmas program will attract a church full of people of all ages to the First Methodist church when given by the Primary Department of the Sunday school. Mrs. George Peyton stated today that Santa Claus would be at the church tonight and urged every one to attend. It will be one of those old fashioned affairs, the kind that spreads Christmas cheer and the children are waiting eagerly for 7:00 o'clock to come when the program begins.

Earl Cullins, formerly of Mexia, is now with the Kansas City Star, according to Christmas cards that have been received here. J. L. Jones, also formerly with the News is also on the Kansas City Star. Both are in the mechanical department. Mr. Jones has relatives who reside at Thornton.

George T. Burke of Corsicana was a visitor in Mexia Sunday and Monday.

I am waiting for u. dere Santa. Yure Little Friend.

"DUTCH" COX.

Mexia, Tex., Dec. 22, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little boy all this year. I have been faithful in looking after the Mexia school teacher and music teachers and all I want is for you to bring me two or three more nice little teachers, two blondes and a brunette.

Yours faithfully,

Little Marcus (Doc) Corley.

Mexia, Texas, Dec. 17.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a train for Xmas that runs around a circle on a track and I want a ring and some candy.

One of your little boys

RODNEY MIDWELL.

Dear Old Santa Claus:

I have had all this year that I want, don't bring me anything this year, I forgot Santa I do want a whistle and that...

your boy,

HENRY FELZ.

Dec. 22, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy and my name is Tom Nolan. I have been good all year and I want you to bring me some apples and candy and a toy horse with a real saddle. Also don't forget to bring me a big cowboy hat and a pipe to match. Now Santa I do hope this is not asking too much for I know you have lots of poor little boys to bring things to. Now Santa I know you will bring me this for the only bad thing I do is write rain insurance.

Your little boy,

TOM NOLAN

P. S. Do not forget to bring my little playmate Pat Patterson a big bunch of bananas.

Chicken Stealing
Reduced To Old
Fashioned Art

A new method in the manner of chicken stealing has been sprung on the citizens of the city. A certain lady who has been missing members of her flock of fine blooded fowls on several occasions recently called in the city officers to investigate the matter. Lifting a very innocent looking tow sack in the back yard one of the officers discovered a common wooden packing box. That in itself pointed to nothing. But a rope, in diameter about one-fourth of an inch, tied to a stick that could easily serve as a trigger to a bird trap, did point somewhere. The rope led straight to the dwelling of another family in the rear of the lady's home and entered that dwelling through a hole cut between the screen and door facing. That was conclusive. The officers raised the box and a fine fat hen took occasion at once to vacate the prison.

Next he called on the family under suspicion. The lady of the house was not at home.

"I been catching birds," a very frightened little girl told the officers.

But she soon came clean and confessed that a little feed scattered under the box made an excellent lure for the unsuspecting feathered tribe and once they were under the trap a pull on the string did the rest. Can you beat it?

Plenty of Work
In Texas, Says
This Report

AUSTIN, Texas, December 21.—Employment conditions in Texas are good, according to the recent survey of Secretary of Labor Davis, a copy of which was received here.

Full forces are being worked in lumber mills, packing plants, textile mills cotton oil mills, and many mechanical lines in Texas, the report said.

Building activities continue unabated, according to the report and while some railroads are releasing unskilled labor the demand for skilled help has not waned.

Encourage increase in shipping activities are reported in all of Texas, Gulf ports, the report stated.

Mr. and Mrs. Nesbit and daughter, left to spend the holidays in Beaumont Saturday.

Mr. C. W. Cone is spending Christmas with friends in Corsicana.

GREETINGS

The arrival of this season brings renewed appreciation of old associations and the value of new friends. We extend greetings to our patrons, to our loyal readers, to our faithful advertisers, and to the entire public, who with us, are striving for a bigger and better Mexia.

May your hands be full of good luck, your hearts full of courage and your spirit full of cheer.

THE MEXIA DAILY NEWS.

The News will not appear Tuesday.

C. OF C. WISHES
MEXIA MERRY
CHRISTMAS

On being asked for a Christmas story from the Chamber of Commerce the secretary of that organization stated that the shortness of the time given precluded his giving any comprehensive outline of the work of that organization during the year just passed. He stated that it was the intention of the organization to promote a good fellowship Banquet of all the citizens of Mexia during the month of January and that at that time he would have a detailed report of all the activities of the organization for the year just closed.

He took advantage of the opportunity to extend to the people of Mexia the cordial good wishes of the official family of the Chamber of Commerce which is composed of the following:

John H. Sweet, President.
L. S. Patterson, vice president.
A. H. Banks, 2nd vice president.

Directors:
J. K. Hughes.
J. W. McLendon.
Blake Smith.
J. W. Prickett.
R. F. Babb.

Cox Brodnax.
John G. Phillips.
Allen L. Hatch.
Benton Jones.
Dr. R. B. Jackson.
Gene Sinclair.

Phil Karner.
Roy H. Stokes.
J. W. Stubenrauch.
B. W. Simmons.
F. P. Hutchinson.

Advisory Board:
Jack Womack.
Ernest Watson.
Ben F. Stollenwerck, secretary.

Miss Cora Oliphant, Asst. Secretary.

Speaking further the secretary stated that the Chamber of Commerce has been successful in some of its undertakings, and to the present time, unsuccessful in others. That those efforts that have so far not been crowned with success have not been abandoned, particularly does this apply to the building of a Cotton Mill during 1924.

"There are lots of things that are hard to accomplish," he said, "and these are the things that it usually takes a Chamber of Commerce to do. In spite of criticism, discouragement and failures of some of the undertakings, we face the world with a smile, being confident that we have done our best and as long as the present officials of this organization are at its helm, this will continue to be our policy. We have lots of friends to reward, but no enemies to punish. We are for you as long as you are right and against no one. We are not discouraged by these things we have failed to accomplish, but figuratively speaking, are hitching up our belts for a more determined campaign during 1924. Let us all remember the story of Lot's wife who looked back and was turned to a pillar of salt, and let us make 1924 the best year in the history of Mexia. We wish for every body a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Word was received by W. B. Landrum of this city Sunday afternoon that his mother, who resides in Waco, was seriously ill. This made it necessary for Mr. and Mrs. Landrum to leave at once for the bedside of their dear one. Mrs. Landrum was to have presented "The Three Wise Men" at the Methodist church last night, but was prevented from so doing by the urgent summons. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Landrum earnestly hope for the early recovery of the mother and look forward to the opportunity to hear Mrs. Landrum the early part of the New Year.

Election Carries By More
Than The Two Third Vote
Necessary For Passage

Much elation prevails here, as well as in Freestone county, following the victory at the polls Saturday when citizens of that county advanced to the polls and voted in favor of \$1,000,000 for road bonds.

Saturday was so rainy and bad that the vote was light, especially in the rural districts, while a fairly good vote turned out at Teague, Fairfield and Kirven. It was said that the roads were so bad that some of those who would have voted against the bonds could not get to the polls to vote.

Oil men here assert that the decision of the people of the neighboring county to improve their roads means that a wildcatting campaign will be under way as soon as the new roads and bridges can be constructed. It is believed by many that Freestone county, in the next few years will witness the discovery of the largest oil fields in the Southwest, and the poll of the people Saturday is considered a great victory for the development of that section.

Concerning the bond election, the Wortham Journal last week in urging a favorable vote said:

This county has a written pledge from the Highway Commission that in spite of the fact that Freestone is one of the "poorer" counties that already receives thousands of more from the State than it pays in taxes, State and Federal aid will be given us in the maximum amount allowed the wealthiest county in Texas, to wit: the sum of \$800,000. For every dollar this county will spend on high grade, hard surfaced roads, the Highway Commission will give two dollars.

Freestone County has three state highways, comprising about 90 miles. A citizens committee has been appointed from among residents of the county, who will submit to the county judge and all four commissioners a plan by which the fund for roads will be distributed. This, they have agreed to adopt.

The committee is working out plans for a specific number of men on each road to spend their time under a superintendent, to see that the roads are properly maintained. This will release all county and road districts funds, as well as the county's pro rata of auto license fees from the ninety miles of highway for road improvement elsewhere.

The following dirt roads will likely be improved as a result of the election: Wortham-Kirven to Fairfield, 22 miles; Kirven to Simsboro, 6 miles; Winkler to Streetman, 10 miles; Dew to Teague, 15 miles; Lana to Teague, 10 miles; Donie-Freestone to Teague, 12 miles; Young to Fairfield, 10 miles.

A bridge will also be built across the Trinity river, connecting Freestone with Anderson county and assures the adoption of a route from Palestine to Teague, to Mexia, to Waco from the highway from Florida to the Pacific Coast, by which southern travel will largely move westward, it is claimed, and which will bring tens of thousands of tourists additionally each year through this section from all parts of the United States.

The victory for the bonds, too, will likely mean the opening up of thousands of acres of land in the eastern part of the county.

According to information Sunday, there were about 2,000 votes cast, approximately 1400 of which were for the bonds, with only two small boxes to hear from, with possibly a total of 40 votes, which could not effect the results, even should the vote be entirely against the bond issue.

FAMILY REUNION AT
THE SINCLAIR HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Liston Sinclair and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Sinclair and two children of Dallas are in the city to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sinclair and in the home of their youth.

There will be family reunion at Mr. Sinclair's home and there will be present all of the children and grandchildren, those mentioned above and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sinclair and little son.

HUMPHREYS HOSPITAL
TENDERED RAILROAD
FOR AID IF NEEDED

Following the call for aid to be sent to the scene of the wreck near Groesbeck Sunday afternoon, officials of the Humphreys Oil company in person called on the station agent and tendered the services of the Humphreys Hospital gratis for extending any relief which it was thought then might be necessary. H. & T. C. railroad men on duty expressed great appreciation for this offer.

OFFICERS RAID
A PLACE AND
ARREST MAN

Mexia officers raided a building in the West part of town Sunday night and arrested Joe Henderson on a charge of bootlegging. Seven ounces of booze, one piecher and two drinking glasses were found in his place under a counter, so the officers stated.

The officers state that Henderson has been convicted one or two terms in jail.

If convicted this time it is likely he will serve a term in the Federal penitentiary, is the opinion of the officers.

One Against
Eleven Wins

DALLAS, Texas, December 24.—Juries have been hung since the time of Blackstone but one of the most unusual cases of this nature occurred in Dallas.

The jury was out in a case where the defendant was accused of "Crap-shooting" but had pleaded not guilty. After being out three hours they reported to the judge that they were unable to agree on a verdict because one man was holding out for conviction. The judge discharge them all.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dominy of Tehuacana are spending Christmas with Mrs. Dominy's parents in Crockett, Texas.

Enel Hall left Saturday to spend Christmas in Hillsboro.

FINES PAID TO
MEXIA SINCE
JULY TOTAL

\$2,290.50

Below are a list of the fines paid to the city of Mexia since July 15, 1923.

For affray, 15 fines, \$217.50.
Abusive language, one fine, \$15.70.
Assault, four fines, \$46.80.
Disturbance of the peace, three fines, \$52.10.

Vagrancy, 19 fines, \$384.30.
Drunks, 28 fines, \$435.60.
Violations of traffic rules, 65 fines, \$698.50.

Speeding and reckless driving, 23 fines, \$408.60.
Two other fines, \$31.40.
Total, \$2,290.50.

Records show 60 arrested who were released without fines.

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"HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST"

President Albert H. Berry of the Mexia Rotary club has sent a Christmas message and seasons greetings to all Rotarians in this city, which so throbs with inspiration and pulsates with such lofty ideals that it is well worth the while of every citizen here to read, ponder and make it a part of their lives.

It is as follows:

In this good season of "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men," I want to extend to you my most cordial greetings and, if possible, cement more securely the ties that bind us in unselfish comradeship. We count our friends among life's most precious rewards and believe that warm, human brotherhood is man's ideal estate. We rejoice in the fact that with the passing of the years, we are gathering a broadened vision of our relationship and interdependence one upon the other, and I am persuaded that Rotary is making a generous contribution toward this spirit of friendly co-operation and helpful service. We should keep uppermost in our minds and hearts that underlying and fundamental principle upon which rests the superstructure of our splendid organization—"He profits most who serves best," remembering always the final test in our association and dealings with our fellowmen should comport with and find perfect harmony in that matchless deliverance, "All things whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so unto them."

Now, my fellow Rotarians, with grateful hearts for whatever of life's blessings came our way in good old 1923, let us turn our faces to the future and with firm and resolute purpose, greet the New Year in a spirit of supreme optimism, pledging ourselves to greater service, so that by and through our efforts the lives of those with whom we may come in touch may be made brighter and happier and the world a better place in which to live. Let us each strive to attain that degree of success so beautifully described by Bessie A. Stanley: "He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men, the trust of pure women and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who has looked for the best in others and given them the best he had; whose life was an inspiration, his memory a benediction."

SUPPOSE THERE HAD NOT BEEN

By C. H. MACHEN
(District Attorney 87th District)

Suppose that while the Shepherds of the Same Country were abiding in the field keeping watch over their flock by night there had been no angel of the Lord to come to them; and suppose the Angel had not said unto them, "Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people"; and suppose the Angel had not said, "For unto you is born this day in the City of David a SAVIOR which is CHRIST the LORD"; and suppose there had been no multitude of HEAVENLY HOSTS praising GOD and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth Peace, Good Will toward Men"; and suppose there had been no Savior born this world would have been deprived today of all the things that bring joy to our hearts at this season, we could not have looked round about us and

seen church steeples pointing upward, we would have had no use for churches, we would not have had Sunday schools for ourselves and children to go to, we would have had no use for them, we would have had no preachers and teachers of the Bible, we would have had no use for them, we would have had no promises to look to, we would have had no New Testament to reveal to us the light and inspire us to fight on and prove to us that there was a reward for the righteous, we could not have had the joys that this season of the year brings when all men turn their faces toward the horizon from whence they came and breathe a prayer of generosity and unselfishness, and the little children would not have had to wait and count the long days with such sweet and pure hope for the day to come, there would have been no Santa Claus to decorate the Christmas trees and load them down with good things and fill the stockings brim full and bring gladness and joy to the little hearts; there would have been no Christmas trees, and Oh, how sad there would have been no CHRISTMAS.

But there was an angel of the Lord that came upon the shepherds while they watched their flocks by night and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and the angel did say unto them: "Fear not for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people (this means us)"; and the angel of the Lord did say: "For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Savior which is Christ the Lord"; and a Savior was born and we do all of the things that bring joy and gladness to our hearts at this season of the year, and we have round about us churches with their spires pointing Heavenward as a constant reminder; we have Sunday schools, preachers and teachers; we have the promise to point to; we have the New Testament that reveals to us the light by which we may see to inherit salvation, and the little children get their just reward for waiting so long for the day to come; there is a Santa Claus; there are Christmas trees and big long stockings, and there is an abundance to load them down and fill them with; and we do have a CHRISTMAS; and the greatest joy of all a Saviour was born. With all these things given to us, and blessings brought to us, should we not all join the multitude of heavenly host and acclaim glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men.

(Read Luke 2:8-15).

A Merry Christmas

and a Happy New Year

To All Our Friends
And Customers

FELZ BROS.
Grocery and Market

Letters from People

MAD DOG.

Postmaster Isidore Newman has received the following letter which is reproduced, hoping that if the parties concerned are here that they might receive valuable information on the communication:

December 21, 1923.

To the Postmaster of Mexia, Texas.

Dear Sir:—I am writing you in regard to some parties who were at my garage December 17, 1923. While they were getting gas their Airdale dog got out of the car and while here another dog came up and began fighting the Airdale. We wondered then if that dog was mad. Since then that same dog bit many other dogs in town, and it has been killed and the head sent to Austin for examination. The people who had the dogs bitten and think a great deal of them are having them vaccinated. So this is the reason I am writing you for I do not know the people's names only that they said their home was at Mexia, Texas, and that they had been out in the big thicket hunting. There were

two men and a lady with a camping outfit and this Airdale dog.

Please try and find out who these parties are and let them know about this dog and have them write and I will let them know what report we

have from Austin.

I know about the dog for I sealed his head in a can to be sent.

Respectfully,
O. O. Moore,
Kountze, Texas.

—The public is cordially invited to visit the Lone Star Meat Market located in the Commercial Hotel building on Commerce St. We handle the very best home killed meats and the best grade Swifts' and Wilson's hams and bacons.

A Merry Christmas and Happy
New Year to All

Lone Star Market
M. O. Masters, Proprietor

Greetings of The Season

To All Our Friends And Customers

Diamond Jewelry Co.

"Seer" Could Not See "Law"

HOUSTON, Texas, December 21.—"Madame" Mummy was a "seer." She could see everything, even miles and miles away.

But a few days ago her mystic vision failed her and she failed to see officers coming to arrest her on charges of vagrancy. Before the cloud had passed from her eyes she was tucked into custody.

Her temporary optical ailment cost her \$200 in fines.

Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh De Long announce the birth of a son, Tuesday, December 18, 1923.

Wishing You
A Merry Christmas
And A Happy
New Year
E. J. Ormsby
Dallas Morning
News Agent

TO OUR MANY FRIENDS

We take this opportunity of wishing you the compliments of the season—a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. During the past years we have appreciated your business and friendship. Here's a hearty "Thank you" for that. Here's hoping that our friendship will be as close in the year soon to begin and that our business relationship will be mutual.

THE BOSTON STORE



The Ministry Of Kindness Of Salvation Army Makes Many Happy Here Past Week

"Jesus saith unto him. I will come and heal him," Matthew 8:7. Jesus Christ the Healer and Comforter, is our example; as Christ hath loved us we ought to love one another. To us as members of the Holy Church, Jesus has committed this ministry of kindness. To His priests the Lord says "Give ye them to eat." To every member of the Church is the command given, "Be kindly affectionate one to another." Pure religion is defined as leading us to comfort the sick and suffering, the fatherless and widows, and to keep ourselves unspotted from the World.

This last week ending Friday the 21st has been the heaviest week on the Salvation Army since I came to Mexia, five and one half months ago. We have had nine very sick families on our hands and in each case they were in pitiful conditions, and I was glad that Mexia had made it possible to supply all the needs required. After the physical needs were supplied I was able to speak to them regarding spiritual help and was overjoyed to learn that sev-

O. T. C. Students Entitled To Back Pay For Time Spent In Officers Training Schools

According to Legiamnaires of this city, the government is now paying off to veterans who were commissioned out of the officers training schools in 1918. The American Legion here will be glad to assist any one needing help in getting the difference in pay due them, which in most instances amounts to \$67 per month for every month in training school.

Interest in the matter was aroused recently when the following article appeared in the American Legion Weekly which explains the matter in full and which was brought to the attention of Legion members here by Z. Rochelle of this city:

Immediately following the announcement of the Comptroller General McCarr's ruling that enlisted men who attended officers' training camps during 1918 were entitled to the difference between their army rate of pay and \$100 per month, the Weekly received letters from Legiamnaires containing in general the following: "I have just received from one—(giving the name of an attorney) of Washington, D. C., a request that I appoint him to proceed to collect for me pay and allowances due for time spent in officer's training camp in 1918. When was the legislation granting this extra pay passed? Is it necessary to proceed through an attorney in order to collect? Is it advisable to appoint someone to handle the case?"

It is not necessary to proceed through an attorney or to appoint someone to handle applications for this additional pay. This is a matter that the individual can handle as well and probably more expeditiously himself.

A paragraph in the army appropriation act of June 15, 1917, set aside \$226,882,560 "for pay of enlisted men of all grades, including recruits, and pay at \$100 a month for enlisted men in training for officers of the Reserve Corps."

The Comptroller ruled as follows: "It is evident that the purpose of the legislation authorizing pay 'not exceeding \$100 a month' for civilians in the act of May 12, 1917, and 'pay at \$100 a month' for enlisted men in the act of June 15, 1917, was to provide pay for the training period and provide trained officers for the army, and not for the purpose of building up the Officers' Reserve Corps."

"It is apparent that the designation of enlisted men of the line for training under the revised regulation of January 5, 1918, was for the purpose of training them as 'officers of the army' and that they were accordingly

Simple Colds
indicate a need of
**SCOTT'S
EMULSION**
to build resistance

entitled to the pay fixed by the act of June 15, 1917. The adjutant general, U. S. A., reported January 30, 1923, that claimant's status was that of an enlisted man on detached service in training for a commission . . . and he is accordingly entitled to the difference between \$33 and \$100 a month for such period."

This ruling affects hundreds of men who attended the officers' training camps during 1918. A man coming under this ruling may make application to the Chief of Finance, War Department, Washington, D. C., for this difference in pay. In his application he should show when he was ordered into service, where and when he attended an officers' training camp and what his status and pay were while in attendance.

And it is NOT necessary to engage an attorney to handle these claims." According to Superintendent C. G. Puckett of the Mexia Public Schools, he has already received papers to be filled out in securing his back pay, he having been commissioned as a Captain out of the third officers' training school. Several hundred dollars will be secured by veterans in Mexia who are entitled the difference in pay, it is asserted here.

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He is a wise man who either speaks the truth or says nothing.

F. N. Fulkner of Waco was in Mexia Thursday.

George W. Frink, of Waco was in the city on business Thursday.

Roscoe Cook and Harvey Bennett were Dallas visitors Friday.

J. L. Brooks of Kosse was a visitor to Mexia Thursday.

Merry Christmas

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

Please don't forget to come to see us. We have cleaned our chimney and fire place out real, real good so we wouldn't have to get your pretty suit all dirty. Our stockings will be hanging on each side of the fire place. Please bring us these things if you have any left. We want lots of fireworks and a gun apiece that will make a big noise when we want a heap of fire crackers. And Santa, please, we wish we had a doll and doll buggy too. We like candy too Mister Santa Claus and nuts are good too, and we are very, very, very good too.

Your two little "Cheeses,"
P. S.—We like perfume too, specially Golly-Gog and Black Narcissus.

Mexico, Texas, Dec. 21, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll that can say "mamma" and a little wash tub and a wash board and a little iron. Bring my little brother a box of tools and a little wagon.

Your little friend,
Dorothy Greene.

Tehuacana, Texas, Dec. 18, 1923

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl nine years old. I

want you to bring a large sleepy doll with black curly hair, a doll bed which is birdseye and some fruits, nuts and candy. I am in the fourth grade and studying six books, and also taking music.

Don't forget my two big sisters. Also my mother and father and grandma.

With much love. Merry Christmas.
Your little girl,
Ida Lee Milburn.

P. S.—Oh, yes, please don't forget my teacher.

Mexico, Texas, Dec. 17, 1923

Dear Old Santa Claus:

I am a good little boy 4 years old. I want you to bring me a great big doll, a new wagon, and some fireworks and lots of nice fruit.

Please remember my mother and Daddy also grandma and grandpa.

Your little friend,
Bessie Stephens,

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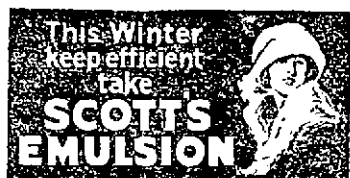
Mexico, Texas, Dec. 20, 1923

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a sleepy doll and a pair of stockings and a little chair. Don't forget the poor little children and don't forget a book satchel. I am a little girl eight years old. My name is Bess Walters.

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From,
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Shortly afterwards the founder, Dr. J. L. Lawlis died, a victim to typhoid, and was buried in the Tehuacana cemetery close to the institution of which he is the father. At his death the college had grown considerably. Instead of the mere handful of students there were then about seventy-five. A small number, indeed, it seems, but not so small when compared with the number of the first year.

The college continued to grow. A new dormitory was built with lumber donated by a large Louisiana mill and called Louisiana Hall in honor of the donors. That dormitory is now occupied by the young ladies. The old dormitory, or Moody Hall, so named in honor of W. M. Moody of Tehuacana who furnished the money for its purchase, is occupied by the boys and sadly needs to be torn down and another one built in its place.

The student body now numbers around 150 and continues to grow in size every year. The college is affiliated with the State University. It has a library numbering 6000 volumes, a library that is unsurpassed by that of any college of its class in the state. It has a new athletic field equipped with grandstand and baths to take care of the athletics begun as a permanent feature of college activities through the efforts of Dr. J. E. Butler, for two years business manager of the school.

Westminster College has stood for twenty years at the very edge of Mexico. For that twenty years it has been holding out an opportunity that the citizens of Mexico have been blindly overlooking. The college can mean more to this city than any other single institution. A community grows not by accumulation, not by the patronage of the great from without, but by the assimilation of the values that lie within its borders.

The faculty of the college is as follows:

E. R. Biggs, M. A., Ph. D., State University, President and Professor of Education.

Rena Rae Van Fossen, A. B., M. A., University of Michigan, English.

W. A. Lansford, A. B., Baylor, Science.

James G. Willis, A. B., George Peabody College, Mathematics.

Amanda Miller, A. B., M. A., Florida State Teachers College, History.

Oliver Moore, A. B., Graduate Kings School of Expression, Expression.

Wayland Moody, A. B., State University, Modern Languages.

Lillian Pierce, Ward Belmont, Piano.

Lydia Moody Scott, Voice.

Robert Dominy, Librarian and assistant in Mathematics.

Mrs. Robert Dominy, Dean of Women.

E. A. Butler, Assistant in English.

Henry Hoover, Preceptor of Boys Dormitory.

Alma Johnson, Bookkeeping and Stenography.

Tom Osborne, Director of Band.

Among the boarding students are the following:

Bessie Kate Berry, Marietta, Texas.

Mable Butler, Rector, Arkansas.

Nannie Crouch, Wortham, Texas.

John Garrison, Sulphur Springs.

Lucy Garrison, Sulphur Springs.

Eugene Hawkins, Mexia, Texas.

Irene Hawkins, Mexia, Texas.

Hollie Irvin, Cale, Ark.

Morris Low, Lone Grove, Texas.

Jimmie Martin, Normangee, Texas.

Jesse Merrill, Irene, Texas.

Eston Batton, Irene, Texas.

Horace Miller, Charleston, Texas.

Charles B. Mills, Teague, Texas.

Myrtle Nunn, Lake Creek, Texas.

M. D. Park, Stringtown, Okla.

Audrey Posey, Wortham, Texas.

Leona Dominy, Crockett, Texas.

Elizabeth Powell, Idabel, Okla.

Valta Scott, Greenville, Texas.

Jewel Johnson, Hugo, Okla.

William Scott, Garland, Texas.

Lalia Phipps, Wortham, Texas.

Mezelle Phipps, Wortham, Texas.

Alma Johnson, Cale, Ark.

Nettie Thornton, Mexia, Texas.

Elizabeth Berry, Marietta, Texas.

Cotys Mouser, Louisiana.

Arnem Roberts, Wortham, Texas.

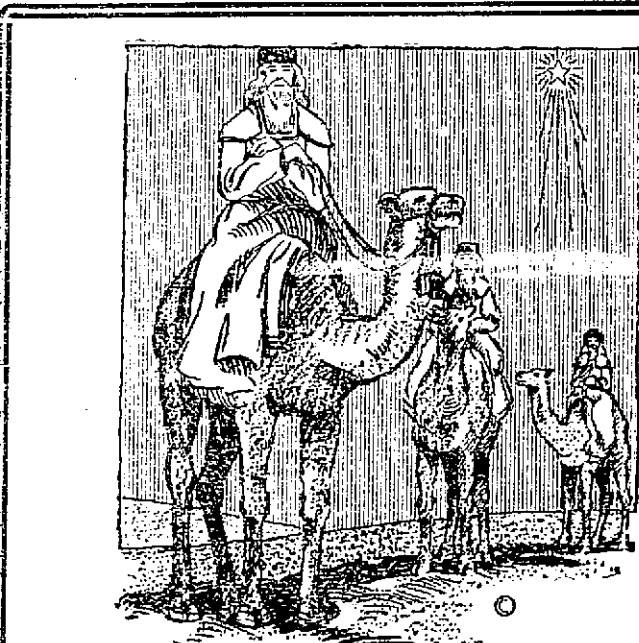
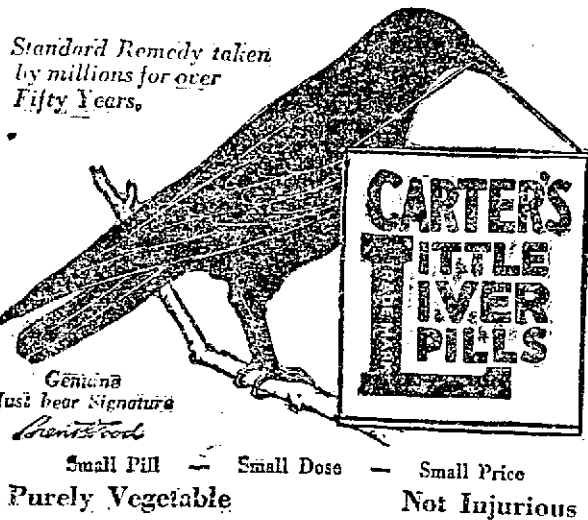
About eighteen students are transported to the college from Coolidge each day on the bus. The remainder are those living in and around Tehuacana.

Mrs. Sallie Joe Simmons of Wortham was a visitor to Mexia Thursday.

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On this latest Christmas morning the Wise Men and Women of the present generation, and even the little children, led by the Star of Faith and Hope and Love, are seeking after the Saviour of the world. They are worshipping Him and serving Him by doing those things which He bade Christians ever to do and perform. They are offering unto Him their souls and bodies, and in this sacrifice the Wise ever find the truest happiness.

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We are thankful for your patronage in the past, and we trust that you have found satisfaction in our mutual business relations. There will always be a warm welcome for you here and we want you to visit us often.

With kindest thoughts and best wishes, we are,

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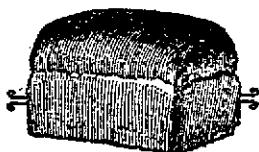
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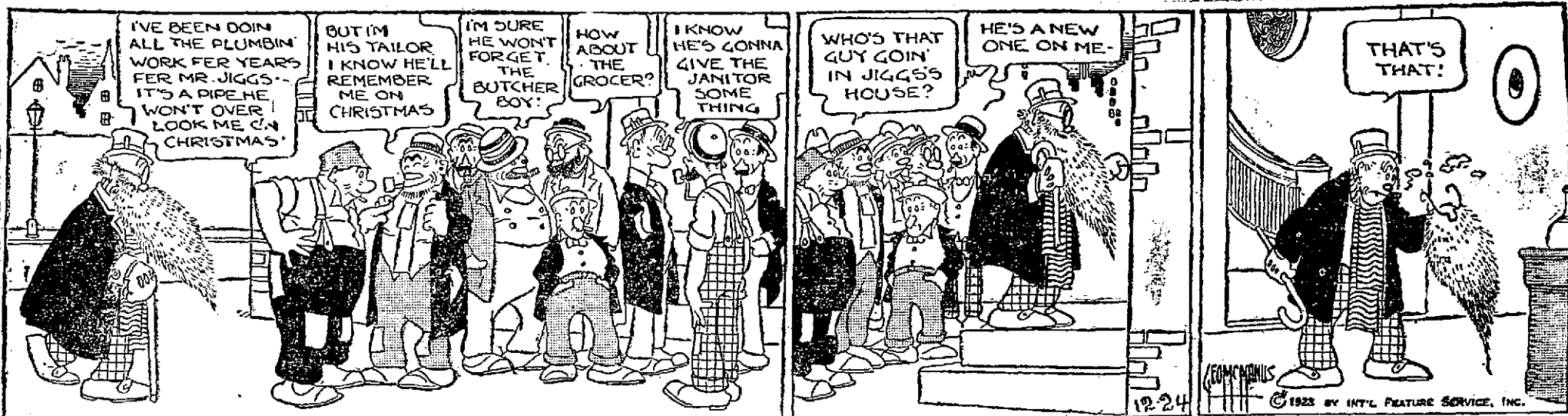
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GEORGIA MINSTRELS COMING.

Enduring success has been achieved by the Georgia Smart Set Minstrels, which comes to the Opera House Wednesday, Dec. 26. This company has weathered the storm of over thirty-three years on the road, having visited time upon time every city and state on this continent, and have spent numerous seasons in foreign countries, where their success has been as marked as in their native country. The company and production for this season is out of the ordinary. There have been many colored minstrel shows which were unsatisfactory in their entertainment because the colored performers were self-conscious and did not act naturally. The Georgia Smart Set Minstrels have always been fortunate in having as a manager one who was familiar with the peculiarities of the negro and knew just how to get the performers to exhibit that peculiar humor so well known among the Southern darkies. Mr. L. B. Holtkamp, the present company manager, is a native of the South and has assembled a company of performers that are not posers, but real entertainers. They will be at the Opera House Wednesday, Dec. 26. Special matinee at 3 p. m.

CARD OF THANKS

I desire to express my sincere appreciation to my many kind friends who came to my help during the recent death of my beloved husband, Gainer. Words do not and cannot express the gratitude I feel for their kind ministrations and the comfort and consolation they brought in to my great bereavement. May the blessing of heaven abide with them all. Sincerely, Mrs. Gainer J. Lindsey.

We never realize how much nerve we possess until we have occasion to occupy a dentist's chair.

Any one wishing a calendar that owns a car and has not received a card we will be glad to give you one if you will call at our No. 1 Station and fill out one of the cards. Mexia Battery and Tire Co., Inc. 18-10

SHERIFF'S SALE

State of Texas, County of Limestone. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Dallas County, of the 14th day of Dec. 1923, by The District Clerk of said Dallas County, for the sum of \$1800.00 Dollars and costs of suit, under a Foreclosure and Deed of Trust Lien,

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in favor of in a certain cause in said court, No. 49016-7 and styled Fidelity Savings Trust Company, versus Mrs. Della Box, the surviving wife of S. A. Box, deceased, Clarence Box, Alvie Box, Mable Box, Homer Box, Ruby Box, Herman Box, Branton Box, and Mrs. Della Box, Guardian of the Estates of Clarence, Alvie, Mable, Homer, Ruby, Herman, and Branton Box, Minors.

The Plaintiff, Fidelity Savings Trust Company, recovered, in the District Court of Dallas County, 68th Judicial District of Texas, a judgement against the said defendants, Della Box, for the sum of \$1800.00 principal, \$124.80 interest and \$222.48 attorney's fees, together with interest on \$2224.80 principal and interest at the rate of 10% per annum and interest at the rate of 6% per annum on \$222.48 attorney's fees from said November 13th, 1922.

And placed in my hands for service, I Whit Popejoy, Sheriff of Limestone County, Texas, did, on the 17th day of December, A. D., 1923, Levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Limestone County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Being 103 acres of land in the Chas. Roberts survey, described in three tracts as follows:

FIRST TRACT: 42 acres of land described as beginning at the Southeast corner of lot No. 1, in the Adams O'Neal subdivision of said Chas. Roberts League, in the North line of the 90 acre tract known as the Limestone County, Land; Thence North 30 West with the East line of said Lot No. 1, 700 varas to corner from which a post oak 12" in dia. brs. North 22½ East 10 varas; Thence North 60 East 338 varas to corner; Thence South 30 East 700 varas to the Northeast corner of said Limestone County 90 acre tract; Thence South 60 West along the North line of said 90 acre tract 338 varas to the place of beginning.

SECOND TRACT: 30 acres of land described as beginning at the Northeast corner of the R. O'Neal 200 acre homestead tract; Thence North 30 West with said O'Neal's line, 560 varas

to corner; Thence North 60 East 127 varas to corner; Thence North 20 West with the O'Neal line to the Southwest corner of the M. R. Box 18 acre tract; Thence North 60 East to the Northwest corner of the 42 acre tract above described; Thence South 30 East 700 varas to the Southwest corner of the 42 acre tract above described; Thence South 60 West 294 varas to the place of beginning.

Said two tracts of land above described being the same land conveyed by Ella Box to S. A. Box on January 12, 1920, by Deed duly recorded in the deed records of Limestone County, Texas.

THIRD TRACT: 31 acres of land known as part of the R. O'Neal homestead, beginning at the most Southern Northwest corner of the 30 acre tract of land described as tract No. 2 above, Thence South 30 East 585 varas to corner on the North line of the tract of land conveyed by Mrs. Abia Box and others to Mrs. Alice Stem, a rock for corner; Thence South 60 West 298 varas to corner; same being the Southeast corner of a 21 acre tract designated by S. A. Box and wife as a part of their homestead; Thence North 31 west 585 varas to the Northeast corner of said 21 acre tract; Thence North 60 East 298 varas to the place of beginning, being part of the land conveyed by M. B. Box, and wife to S. A. Box by deed recorded in Vol. 76, page 7/8 deed records of Limestone County, Texas.

Said three tracts of land being the same land described in the deed of Trust from S. A. Box and wife, Della Box to Chas. L. Kribs, Trustee, recorded in Vol. 7, page 492-7, deed of trust records of Limestone County, Texas; and levied upon as the property of Della Box, and all above named parties; and that on the first Tuesday in Feb. 1924, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Limestone County, in the town of Groesbeck, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale, I will sell said above described Real Estate

at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Della Box, et al.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Mexia Daily News, a newspaper published in Limestone County.

Witness my hand, this 17th day of Dec., 1923.

WHIT POPEJOY, Sheriff, Limestone County Texas.

By N. P. Harris, Deputy. Dec. 18-25 Jan. 2

NOTICE

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the City National Bank of Mexia, will be held at its banking house Tuesday, January 8, 1924, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. for the purpose of electing Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before it. Mexia, Texas, December 8th, 1923. W. G. FORREST, Cashier. (10-17-24-31-7)

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JOHN R. CORLEY COMPANY
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Bargains In Furniture

And Stoves every day. New and Used.

Special prices on all Gas Heaters, Tricycles, and wagons for the little ones.

Rubber Aprons 50c

Small Rugs 25c

LANGSTON FURNITURE

312 E. Commerce St.—Phone 56

STOVES

Mexia merchants want your trade. Trade with home town people.

Too Late to Classify

TURKEYS
During the holidays 20c pound dressed. Pecans 5 pounds and over 15c. Just unloaded car best West Texas eggs. Sawyer Produce Co. Phone 359. 113 N. McKinney. 21-7

We charge 25c for all gasoline and tire service calls inside of the city limits; 50c per mile thereafter. A charge of 25c to everyone for taking off and putting on chains. Mexia Battery & Tire Co., Inc., Nos. One and Three Stations. 18-10

FOR SALE—One complete radio receiving set. First class condition. Phone or see J. F. Lumus at Humphrey Garage. 23J2

We charge 25c for delivering gasoline any place in the city limits; 50c mile thereafter. Applies to everyone. Mexia Battery & Tire Co., Inc. 18-10

Pay your poll tax.

FOR RENT—Completely furnished 2 room apartment. Also three room shack, all modern conveniences. 269-J or 712 East Titus. 23L3

Any one wishing a calendar that owns a car and has not received a card we will be glad to give you one if you will call at our No. 1 Station and fill out one of the cards. Mexia Battery and Tire Co., Inc. 18-10

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Babb left Saturday to spend the holidays away. Mrs. Babb will visit in Rector Arkansas and Mr. Babb is going to Memphis Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. George Medders and two children of Dallas are visiting Mrs. Medders parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pearson of Tehuacana.

SAGE TEA TURNS GRAY HAIR DARK

That beautiful, even shade of dark glossy hair can only be had by brewing a mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Your hair is your charm. It makes or mars the face. When it fades, turns gray or streaked, just an application or two of Sage and Sulphur. Your hair is your charm. It dreads fold.

Don't bother to prepare the mixture; you can get this famous old recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients at a small cost, all ready for use. It is called Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound. This can always be depended upon to bring back the natural color and lustre of your hair.

Everybody uses "Wyeth's" Sage and Sulphur Compound now because it darkens so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied. You simply dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through the hair, taking one small strand at a time, by morning the gray hair has disappeared, and after another application it becomes beautifully dark and appears glossy and lustrous.—Advt.

Greetings of the
Season from
the
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COLD WEATHER

May Freeze
Your
Battery
if
Discharged

One Day Service
On Battery
Charges

Carter Battery Co.
Phone 661

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Cohen have returned to their home in Dallas after spending several days with their daughter, Mrs. Isidore Newman.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eolon left Saturday for Dallas where they will visit relatives.

IF BACK HURTS BEGIN ON SALTS

No man or woman can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Too much rich food creates acids which clog the kidney pores so that they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood. Then you get sick. Rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders often come from sluggish kidneys.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage, or attended by a sensation of scalding, begin to drink soft water in quantities; also get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any reliable pharmacy and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys may then act fine.

This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity, also to help neutralize the acids in the system so they no longer cause irritation, thus often relieving bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink, which everyone can take now and then to help keep the kidneys clean and the blood pure, thereby often preventing serious kidney complications. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year.—Advt.

Wishing Every One a
Merry Christmas

BUTLER'S
"Dependable Men's Wear"
101 E. COMMERCE

Boyd & Forrest Realty Co.
Wishes You All

A MOST HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

And ask that your slogan be
Buy or Build a Home in Mexia 1924

To own your own home contributes largely to content, which means better citizenship.

J. Rex Forrest
Phone 413

GREETINGS
of the season

PRENDERGAST-SMITH NATIONAL BANK
(The Old Reliable)

To Our Customers and Friends:

We count as one of our most valuable assets something that money cannot buy — your good will.

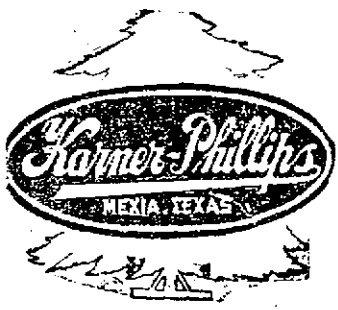
We desire to express our sincere appreciation for your patronage and good will during the year that is now closing and extend to you our best wishes for a very happy Christmas and prosperity for the coming year.

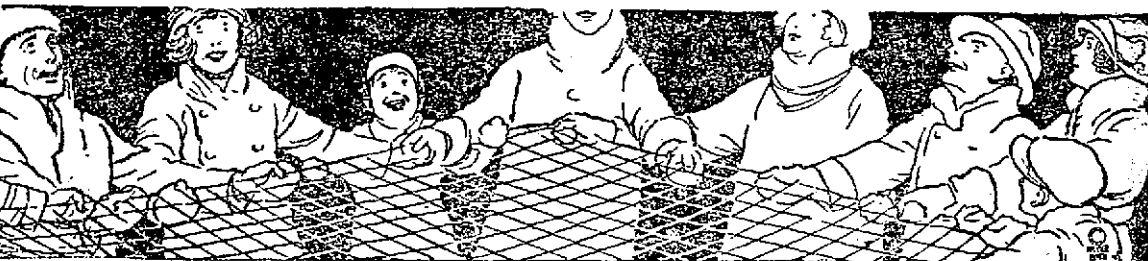
City National Bank
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*In The House of Hearts
At Christmas Time*

In the House of Hearts
Where friend meets friend,
Let us in communion spend
Some moments of this Xmas Day
Even though we be far away.
Let us live over things we used to do,
And just be happy, through and through,
In the house of hearts
At Christmas time
Where friend meets friend.

*Wishing You a Merry Merry Xmas
and a Happy New Year*





Greetings

The Holiday season affords us an opportunity to extend to you our appreciation for your business during the year. It is our friends who have made it possible for us to maintain "Mexia's largest department store". Without your patronage and good will our efforts would be in vain.

Now, at the end of this good year, we extend to every one a wish for a merry Christmas and a year of happy days.

CHEEVES BROS. & CO.
"Mexia's Largest Department Store"